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1. (Amended) A method of inhibiting alkaline darkening of a mechanical pulp in the presence of a calcium carbonate filler comprising:

92 providing an aqueous suspension of a mechanical pulp for producing paper, and

incorporating in said suspension a calcium carbonate filler for producing paper with the pulp, and a sulphite to inhibit alkaline darkening of said pulp in said suspension arising from the calcium carbonate filler in the suspension.

FOOTNOTES